

HOSPITAL URGES LARGER QUARTERS

Freedmen's Asks Provision
for "Pay" Patients.

ADDITION TO BUILDING NEEDED

Annual Report of Colored Institution Urges Leeway in Reception of Persons Seeking Treatment. Many Changes Indorsed by Directors—2,000 Cases in Year.

According to the annual report of Freedmen's Hospital, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1911, now in the hands of the Secretary of the Interior, 2,000 patients were treated at the institution last year, an increase of thirty-one over 1910. There were 234 births in the hospital during the twelve months, with a small death rate.

The mortality for the year from all causes was only 8 per cent, and deducting a few cases of premature births which occurred and a half hundred morbid cases, the percentage is reduced to something under 5 per cent, a low death rate for a hospital of the character of Freedmen's.

The report says of the condition of the hospital and the work covered:

"The efforts of the hospital staff have been severely taxed to cover the volume of work outlined by this report. Much has been done to improve the condition of the hospital generally, thereby adding to the care and comfort of the patients. The new wing, authorized by the sundry civil act, was completed and occupied during the year, providing fifty additional beds. The remodeling of the central power plant and the construction of an electric light plant were also completed, and are now in operation."

1,182 Patients from District.

Patients admitted to the hospital are classed under two heads—United States and District of Columbia. Those from the District are received under a contract with the Board of Charities, at the following rates: Adults, \$1.00 per day; children, 50 cents per day, and babies, 25 cents per day. Of the total number that received medical treatment, 82 were from the District.

In the outdoor department, 433 pa-

tients were treated, an increase of 202 over last year. The number of visits to this department were 5,637, while nearly 13,000 prescriptions were compounded.

The salary list, including the surgeon-in-chief, internes, nurses of various grades, clerks, drivers, cooks, and dozens of persons required to carry on the work of a big hospital, amounted to a total of \$23,480. The finances are shown to be in a healthy state.

It is pointed out that an institution of the magnitude of Freedmen's Hospital cannot be satisfactorily managed unless properly manned and equipped, nor is it in the interest of efficiency to provide low-grade workmen. Attention is called to following needs and it is urged that such steps as are necessary be taken to secure favorable Congressional action:

"A small building devoted exclusively to the pathological work of the hospital, costing \$25,000. The services of a storekeeper, engineer, two firemen, director of clinics, laundryman, cook, ten pupil nurses, two telephone operators, six laborers, two maids, a seamstress, a dishwasher, and an ambulance driver, the total salaries of which help may be secured for being estimated at \$11,100."

New Ambulance Wanted.

An electric ambulance, at a cost of \$3,500, is asked to take the place of the horse-drawn one now used. One of this kind would give greater satisfaction and could be maintained and operated as economically as the present one, the report says.

The installation of an ice plant at a cost of \$4,000 is urged, also an appropriation of \$3,000 for an ash conveyor to complete the remodeling of the central heat plant.

One of the most important recommendations is for some provision to be made for the admission of patients who pay for treatment. A new wing to the hospital is the only means by which this class of patients can be cared for satisfactorily. This will require an appropriation of \$50,000.

The report of the Board of Charities says on this matter: "Frequently colored persons who are not indigent apply to the board of admission to Freedmen's Hospital. They state they desire treatment there because they can be cared for by colored physicians and nurses. This board must deny such applications because authorized to provide for indigent persons only. As there are no other hospitals in the District administered by colored doctors and nurses, it appears to the board that it would be proper for Freedmen's to admit pay patients."

Suicide With Boiling Water.

London, Sept. 24.—A woman named Dizarvitch was said, at an East London inquest yesterday, to have committed suicide by pouring boiling water over her head. The previous day she jumped from a window, but was not seriously injured.

SNIPS GIRL'S HAIR BECAUSE OF GRIEF

Father Sees Visions of Child
"the Angels Took."

Pittsburg, Sept. 24.—Visions of the beautiful hair of his child, whom "the angels took away," were given by Joseph Reherl in court today as his reasons for snipping off the locks of eleven young women. He pleaded for mercy and was sentenced to the workhouse for five months.

"Jack the Snipper" terrorized women with dark chestnut or auburn hair in this city for months, until Reherl was captured. Immediately after his arrest seven girls identified their braids, while four other braids remain unidentified at police headquarters. Before Judge Swearingen the poor Italian laborer made this plea:

"The angels took my little boy away in the province of Vallina, Italy, one year ago. He was five years old. I could not ever get a lock of his hair. When ever I saw hair like his I wanted to cut off a lock. I would have cut away a lock of boy's hair if it grew long enough. Hundreds of years ago people in Italy cut off a piece of a child's hair every time a loved one died. I guess I was crazy to do what I did."

The charges against Reherl were hard pressed by the prosecutors, but the sentences were made to run concurrently.

RAT UP HIS TROUSERS LEG.

Carroll Counts Squeezes It to Death, but Fingers Are Bitten.

Westminster, Md., Sept. 24.—Melvin W. Routson, of Almontown, one of the Republican candidates for the house of delegates from this county, was walking through his stable recently, when a large rat ran up his trousers leg. He quickly grabbed the rodent in the folds of the cloth and squeezed the animal to death, but not until it had bitten his fingers in four places. The wounds were slight.

Mrs. L. C. Myers Dead.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Harrieham, Va., Sept. 24.—Mrs. Margaret Myers, aged seventy-five, wife of Lieut. L. C. Myers, president of the First National Bank, died late yesterday. She was a daughter of the late Dr. A. M. Newman, Pendleton County. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. C. B. Richardson, of Richmond.

TROUBLES FOLLOW IN WAKE OF "HEX"

Cat Grows to Four Feet and Farmer Dies.

Pottsville, Pa., Sept. 24.—Pottsville has a "hex" or witchcraft case. Asserting that her father, Howell Thomas, aged sixty-one years, residing in the Tumbling Run Valley, died to-day as a result of a "hex" placed upon the family by a family residing in Griggsville, Miss. Mary Isabella Thomas gave a list of peculiar circumstances, which she endeavored to show proved that a spell had been cast upon the family.

The "hex" is responsible for many misfortunes around the farm, she asserted. It had the power to silence pistols, which were bought for the home's protection, and cows have pined away and died as a result of the spell, which commenced when a big black cat was brought to the Thomas farm. She asserted that members of the family saw the cat grow to four feet in height, and then resume its natural size. They are afraid of it and afraid to kill it.

Howell Thomas was a native of Pottsville, and it is the wish of the family, as a result of his dying request, to have the funeral take place from the house in which he was born. The family have visited about every fortune teller in this section of the State in an effort to have the "hex" removed, but without avail.

Finally, their attention was attracted to the advertisement of a man living in California, and to-day the Thomas family are paying him a stipulated monthly sum to drive the "hex" away.

WOMAN DIES PAUPER AT 112.

Mrs. Mary McCarthy, Last of Her Family, Passes Away.

Pittsfield, Mass., Sept. 24.—Mrs. Mary McCarthy, of West Stockbridge, is dead in a little two-room shack at the age of 112 years. She had lived in West Stockbridge for sixty years. No one knew her exact age, but two years ago she said she was 109 years old.

She was a town charge and was allowed to live alone because the town has no almshouse and boards out its poor. At intervals the town authorities visited the old woman and sent the grocer with provisions. In summer she cultivated potatoes and cabbages and stored them for winter. In catfish season she fished. She was the last of her family.



Professional Traders Soon to Enjoy Season of Prosperity—Trusts Are Not Ready to Be Destroyed.

New York, Sept. 24.—About the only thing that can be said with certainty regarding the stock market at present, is that professional Wall street is soon to enjoy a season of prosperity. The official and unofficial attacks on the big trusts are causing wholesale shifting of investments, if anything can be called an investment in America at all.

If the attack succeeds, and the big corporations are split into their original companies, it will multiply the number of stocks to be traded in. The steel corporation, for instance, controls 119 companies, all of which would be turned adrift in the event of dissolution. They would not all be listed on the exchange, perhaps, but it is safe to say that for every one of the big trusts dissolved an average of ten new stocks would appear in the market.

Brokerage business seems to be the only one with a brilliant future. The American people are natural-born speculators, and they will join in the destruction of the trusts with as much enthusiasm as they participated in the construction of them. Besides, they will not have so much to do in the way of legitimate business, and their idle hours and idle capital can find some exercise in the stock market.

Judging from past experience, the destruction of the trusts will result in a material increase in the cost of living, and in better times for the rich and harder times for the poor. It is doubtful, however, if the trusts can really be destroyed, for they are a natural development of modern business methods, and the Supreme Court of the United States has said that the innocent stockholders of the trusts must be protected.

One of the worst features of the situation is that it is impossible to find out what the government really intends to do. No sooner does a public officer get quoted distinctly than he repudiates what was said in his name.

It must also be borne in mind that the crop disaster in this country and in Europe justified more than half of the decline. The big raid might have failed had it not been for the loss of crops. The fact that wheat did not advance is no proof of big harvests, for until Canada voted against reciprocity the American wheat market was under the shadow of record big harvests in Canada. The advance from 5 to 8 cents a bushel in wheat within twenty-four hours after the defeat of reciprocity is significant, especially in view of the fact that the warehouses of Chicago are holding record quantities of wheat, because the abnormally dry summer hurried the harvest and made the early movement greater than normal.

In regard to the immediate future of the market, full consideration must be given to the fact that the break has been of sensational proportions, but the part of it due to professional raiding has been comparatively small.

The strength of the railroad list at the end of last week furnished evidence that banking interests were supporting the railroads to prevent a panic. They must have accumulated many thousand shares more than they want, and this surplus stock will be for sale on the first sign of public buying. It will be all the more difficult to start a buying movement, because railroad earnings are running so low that they discourage investment.

Aged Woman Killed by Fall.

Lebanon, Pa., Sept. 24.—Mrs. Sarah Reed, ninety years, to-day plunged headforemost to her death down a flight of stairs at her home here. Her skull was fractured.

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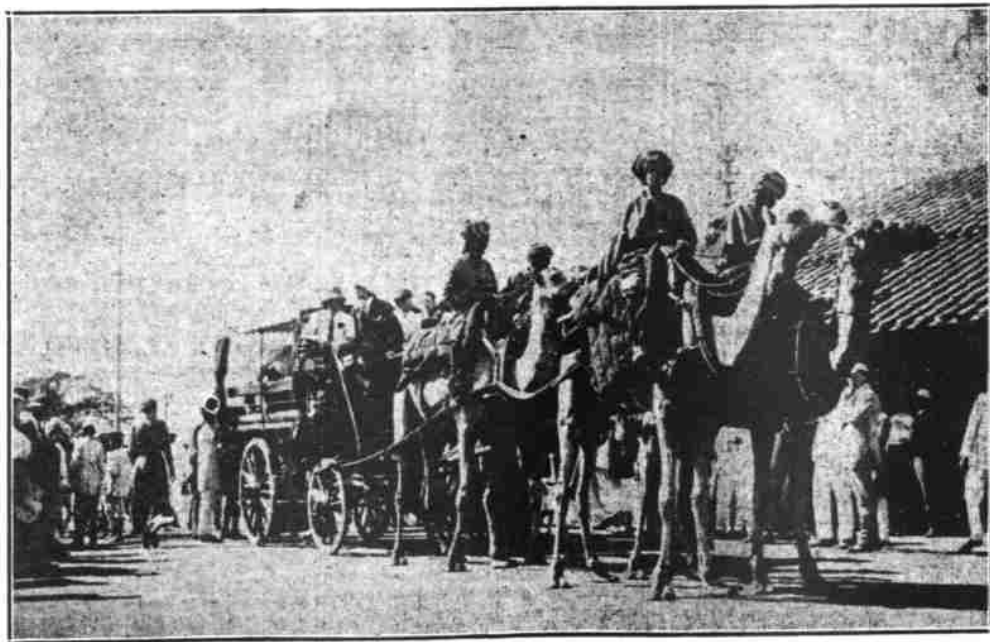
Name..... Address.....

We, the undersigned, personally know the above applicant to be of good moral character and indorse his or her candidacy. Signed,

Name..... Address.....

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Name.....

Address.....

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DISTRICT No. 2.—Bounded on the west by the Potomac River and Rock Creek, on the north by the south side of Q street, on the east by the west side of Fourteenth street, and on the south by an imaginary line running due west from the Mall to the Potomac River.

DISTRICT No. 3.—All territory in the District of Columbia lying west of Rock Creek. (This includes Cleveland Park, Chevy Chase, and Tennytown.)

DISTRICT No. 4.—Bounded on the west by Rock Creek and Rock Creek Park, on the north by the District line, on the east by the west side of Fourteenth street and Fourteenth street extended, and on the south by the north side of Q street.

DISTRICT No. 5.—Bounded on the west by the east side of Fourteenth street and Fourteenth street extended, on the north by the District line, on the east by the west side of First street northwest, on the south by the north side of Q street. (This territory includes Petworth, Brightwood, and Takoma Park.)

DISTRICT No. 6.—Bounded on the west by the east side of First street northwest, on the north by the Soldiers' Home, Michigan avenue, on the east by the District line, and on the south by an imaginary line one square west of the Capitol running due east and including the north side of East Capitol street to the Eastern Branch. (This territory includes Brookland, Woodridge, Langdon, Kenilworth, and Benning.)

DISTRICT No. 7.—All territory south of the Mall and south of the north side of East Capitol street to the Potomac River and the District line. (This territory includes Anacostia and Congress Heights.)

DISTRICT No. 8.—The entire State of Maryland.

DISTRICT No. 9.—The entire State of Virginia.

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